

INTERESTING WOLF FACTS

Wolves are	Part of the Canine (dog) family Carnivore (meat eater)
	Predators (hunt for their food/prey)
Average length	Male: 5-6.5 feet (nose to tip of tail)
	Female: 4.5 to 6 feet
Average height	26 to 32 inches
Average weight	Males: 80-110 lbs.
	Female: 60-80 lbs.
Average paw size	4 inches wide by 5 inches long
Life span	5-9 year average in the wild
	14-15 years in captivity
Pelage (color)	Any shade of gray, brown, black, white, or tan
Number of teeth	42
Breeding season	Mid January to Mid April (depending on climate-the colder the climate, the later the breeding season)
Average Weight at birth	1 pound
Average Litter size	4-6 pups
Pack size	6-8 members on average
Pack territory/ size	10-1000 square miles per animal
Speed	6 miles on average but can reach speeds of 35 mph during a chase
Common prey	Caribou, elk, deer, bison, musk-oxen, sheep, goats. Also will prey on rodents, beavers, fish, and birds. Basically whatever is available when ungulate are scarce.
Main threats to survival	Loss of habitat due to destruction and development by humans, persecution by humans.

